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Penetration Testing – What Is It Good For?

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Agenda

- Introduction
- Problems We're Trying to Solve
- Overview of Penetration Testing
- Value Add
- When to Test
- Tools and Resources

Introduction

- Employment
 - o Creative Breakthroughs Inc.
 - o University of Michigan
- Education
 - o Ferris State University B.S. CIS, MBA
- Certifications
 - o OSCP, GWAPT, C)PTE, GMON, CISA
- Awards
 - o 2016 SANS Crystal City SEC542 CTF Winner
- Volunteer
 - Michigan Cyber Civilian Corps MiC3







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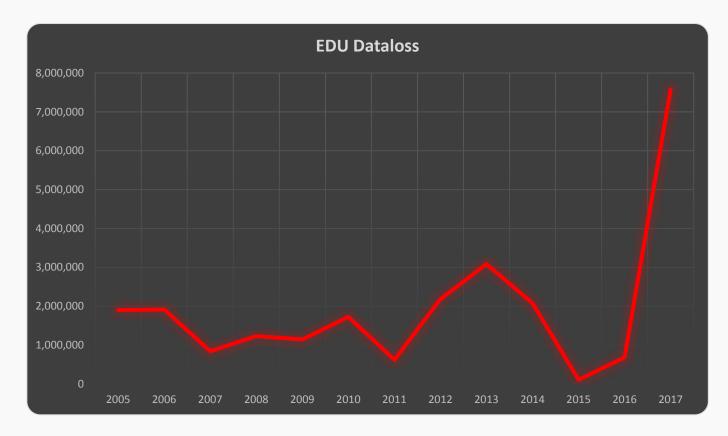
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Cyber Crime

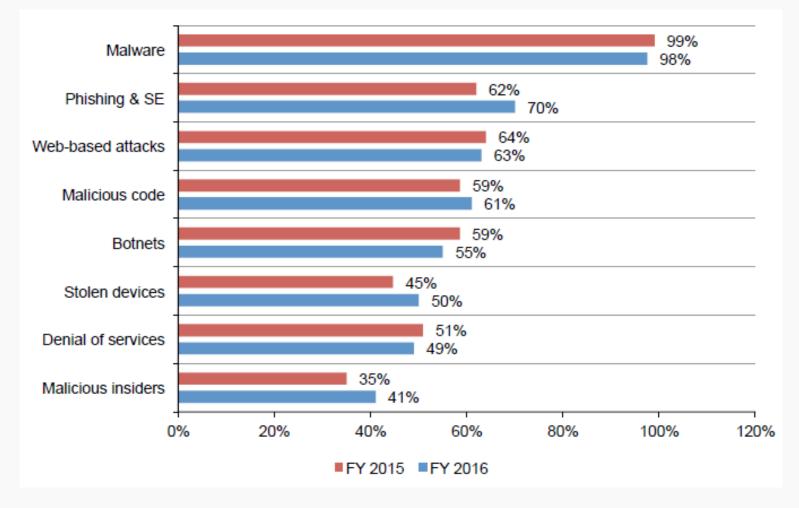


- 798 Breaches Reported in EDU since 2005 (Likely More)
- > 25,000,000 Records Leaked
- Est. Cost \$4,250,000,000



Types of Attacks

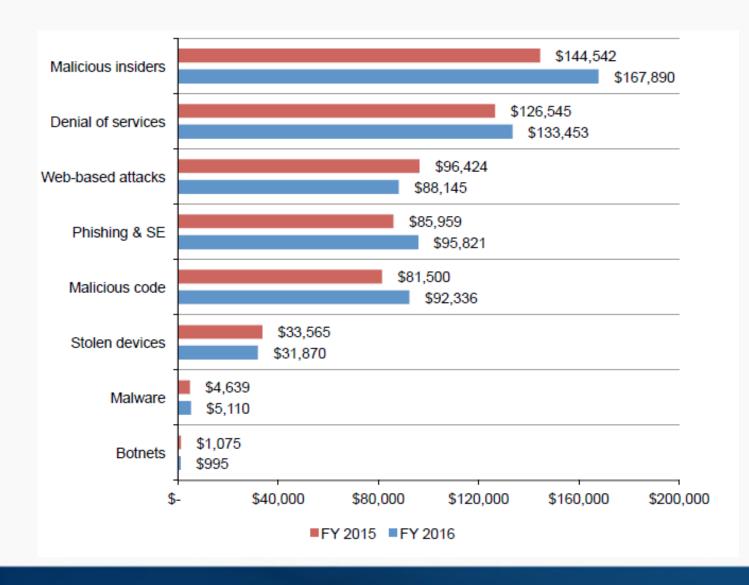




*237 Benchmarked Companies

Cost of Attack Type





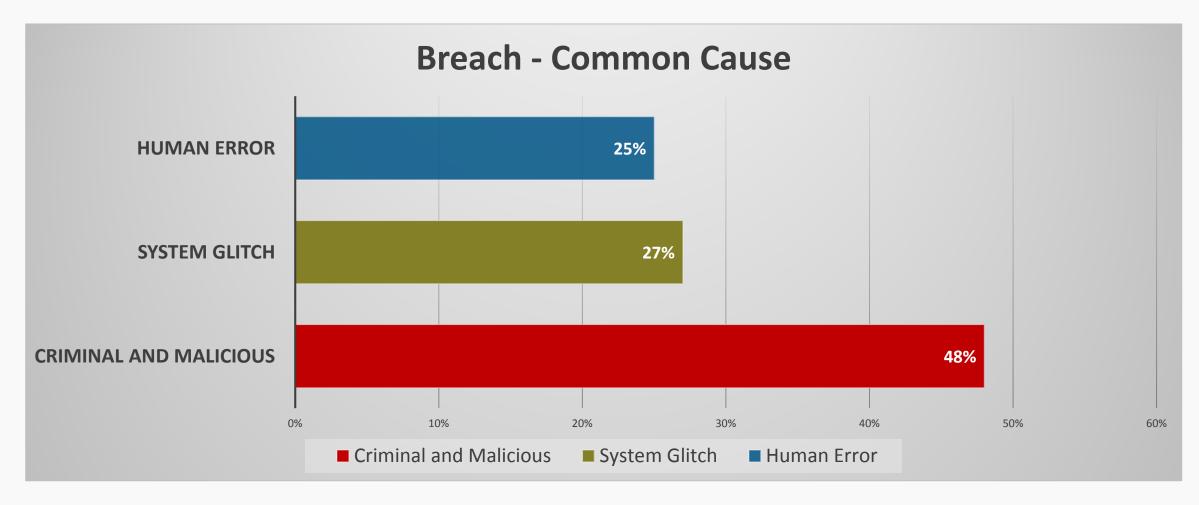
Polling Question #1



- Is cyber crime a driving factor in your audit planning?
 - o Yes
 - o No
 - o Maybe

Source Of Breaches





Motivations



- Money
 - o R&D Grants
 - o Intellectual Property
 - o Academic Research
- Hacktivism
- For Fun
- Theft of Resources
 - o Amplification Attacks/DDoS
 - o Library Subscriptions
- Spreading Chaos

What Can Be Done?



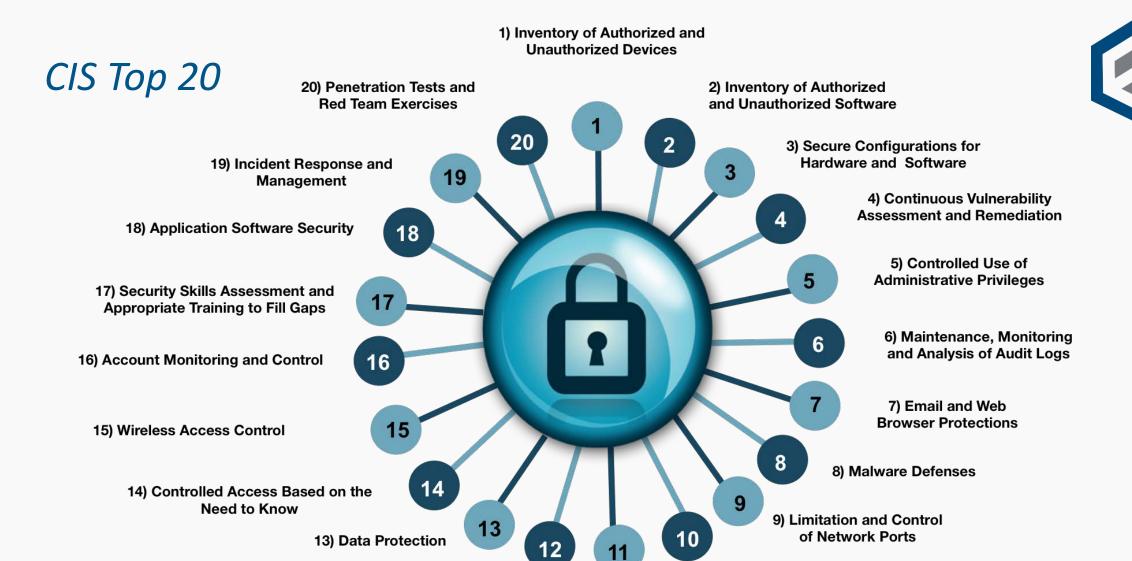
- Culture of Information Security
 - o People
 - o Processes
 - o Technology
- Leverage Best Practices
 - o CIS Top 20
 - o OWASP Top 10



Polling Question #2



- How would you rate your understanding of Information Security?
 - o I'm an expert and regularly audit Information Security
 - o I have an intermediate skill set but I am interested in learning more
 - o I am a beginner that wants to perform information security audits
 - o I'm just here for the CPE.



12) Boundary Defense

11) Secure Configurations for Network Devices

10) Data Recovery Capability

OWASP Top 10



- Open Web Application Security Project
 - o OWASP 2017 Top 10 RC2
 - A1 Injection
 - A2 Broken Authentication and Session Management
 - A3 Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)
 - A4 Broken Access Control
 - A5 Security Misconfiguration
 - A6 Sensitive Data Exposure
 - A7 Insufficient Attack Protection (NEW)
 - A8 Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF)
 - A9 Using Components with Known Vulnerabilities
 - A10 Under Protected APIs (NEW)

Penetration Testing



- Attacker Simulation
- Assessing Security Before Attackers Do
- Finding and Exploiting Security Weaknesses
- Looking for Ways an Attacker May Gain Access and Exfiltrate Data
- Testing User Education and Awareness
- Demonstrating and Communicating Risk

Let's Clarify



- Vulnerability Assessment
 - o Finding all known vulnerabilities
 - o Often automated
 - o Performed Regularly
 - o Measure Result Over Time
- Penetration Test
 - o Exploitation of some vulnerabilities
 - o Exploiting misconfigurations and control breakdowns
 - o Hacking Humans
 - o Vulnerability Scan Effective If Included

Attacker Methodology



- Information Gathering OSINT
 - o Passive Reconnaissance
 - o Active Reconnaissance
- Exploitation
 - o Password Spaying
 - o Web Based Attacks
 - o Phishing
- Exfiltration
 - o Removing Data
- Gaining Persistence
- Covering Tracks



Penetration Testing Methodology



Pre-engagement Interactions

- Permission
- Scoping
- •Rules of Engagement

Intelligence Gathering

- Passive Recon e.g. OSINT
- •Active Recon

Vulnerability Analysis

- •Active Testing Scanning
- Passive Testing –
 Metadata, Traffic
 Monitoring
- Validation
- Research

Exploitation

- Vulnerabilities
- Configuration
 Weaknesses
- Control Weaknesses
- Social Engineering

Post Exploitation

- Escalation
- Lateral Movement
- Interesting Data
 Identification

Reporting

- Communicating Results
- Risk Ranking
- Technical Detail

Polling Question #3



- Do you plan to acquire penetration testing services in the next 6 months?
 - o Yes
 - o No
 - o Maybe

Penetration Testing Techniques



Black Box

No knowledge of the environment in scope

Grey Box

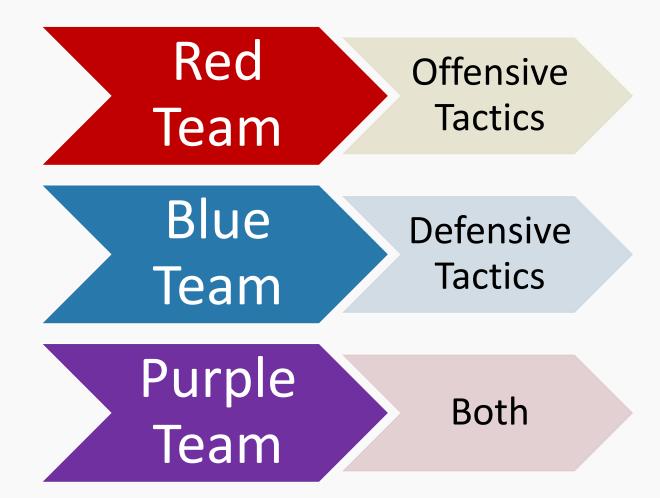
Some knowledge of the environment in scope

White Box

Full knowledge of in-scope environment

Team Based Exercises





What Can Be Tested?





Networks



Applications



Web Applications



Mobile Applications



Physical Security



Humans – Social Engineering

Social Engineering



- Education and Awareness
 - o Attackers Target Users
 - It's Effective
 - It's Easy
 - Hard to Detect
 - o Regular Simulated Attack Exercises
 - Measure Over Time



Value



Testing Security Controls Validating Technical Controls Validate Assertions Resource Prioritization

When To Do A Pentest



After Other Security Controls Are In Place

• CIS Top 20 – Pentesting is #20

Compliance

- PCI-DSS (Requires)
- HIPAA (Via NIST)
- FISMA
- FedRAMP

When Demonstrating Need

• Effective Tool to Convince Leadership

When A High Degree of Confidence is Required

- Validation of Assertions
- Validation of Technical Controls

Tradecraft



Network Testing

- Nmap
- Responder
- Sparta

Wireless

- Aircrack-ng
- Wifite
- Hostapd-wpe

Web/Mobile Applications

- Burpsuite
- OWASP ZAP
- Commercial Products

Tradecraft





Social Engineering

- Recon-ng
- KingPhisher
- Social Engineering Toolkit

Seeking Knowledge



Pre-Requisite

Passion

Cybrary.it

- Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking
- Advanced Penetration Testing

Offensive Security

• Penetration Testing With Kali

SANS

- SEC542: Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking
- SEC560: Network Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking

Get Involved

- Local Communities
- Conferences

Polling Question #4



- Does your organization conduct penetration tests?
 - o Yes
 - o No
 - o Not Sure

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- December 13, 2017 Auditing Social Media (Felicia Best, TeamMate)
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- February 7, 2018 Construction Auditing (Asel Solovyeva (Univ of Michigan) and Robert Zellmer (Baker Tilly))
- March 18-21, 2018 ACUA Mid-Year Conference in Louisville, KY